



## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Damage Assessment Teams Visit Flood Sites and Collect Data**

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**Minden NV-** On August 13, 2014 the State Damage Assessment Team completed a full day of assessment in both the Johnson Lane and Fish Springs area. The teams visited over 75 properties throughout the day and made numerous public contacts with residents who had called into the Flood Hotline or e-mailed the flood e-mail. The teams were also able to distribute literature on flood insurance programs, general information on flash flooding, and left business cards with those who were contacted.

“We made it personal yesterday with those impacted and I am proud of that effort,” said District Fire Chief Tod Carlini. “We went to the people yesterday, and we want to thank everyone who called in and reported damage. It is important that we document damages as we attempt to qualify for State Funding.”

Once the state report is complete it will be reviewed at the staff level with the state. The report will then be sent to the governor and it will be determined whether Douglas County will have a State Declaration.

All of the information received from emails and calls has been collected and will be to produce a location specific flood damage map to further assess damages and review areas of concern.

The County continues its efforts to clean and remove debris left over from the floods with crews and equipment with emphasis on debris removal in Fish Springs and Johnson Lane this week in addition to cleaning ditches and clearing roadways.

“We can assure you we have everything we have access to out and on the ground, cleaning ditches and clearing debris,” said Chris Oakden, Road Maintenance Operations Superintendent. “As a public entity there are some things we just can’t do, for instance cleaning up private property. Our main priority is cleaning out the ditches, clearing debris from public roadways and not letting things get backed up while maintaining the safety of our employees and our residents.”

The following resources are out assisting the public and working through-out different areas in Douglas County:

#### **Douglas County Maintenance Department**

2 Grader	Fish Springs Area
2 Loaders	Johnson Lane Area
1 Broom Truck	Johnson Lane Area
2 Bottom Dumps	Johnson Lane Area
1 Back Hoe	Johnson Lane Area

**A&A Construction**

2 Loaders	Johnson Lane Area
2 Dump Trucks	Johnson Lane Area
1 Grader	Johnson Lane Area

**Crocket Engineering**

1 Grader	Johnson Lane Area
1 Loader	Johnson Lane Area
1 End Dumps	Johnson Lane Area
2 Loader	Fish Springs
3 End Dumps	Fish Springs

**Curtis & Sons Construction**

3 End Dumps	Fish Springs Area
1 Loader	Fish Springs Area
1 Grader	Fish Springs Area

**Gardnerville Town**

1 Street Sweeper	Johnson Lane
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**Town of Minden**

1 Street Sweeper	Johnson Lane
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If you have significant flood damage on your street please call Public Works (775)783-6480 and they will respond to your inquiry in order of severity.

**The Douglas County Emergency Reverse 911 system is back up and running**, and the however the National Weather Service issues appropriate warnings from their radar system and the Emergency Broadcast System. If Douglas County needed to issue evacuation notices the Emergency Alert System would be activated.

A public Douglas County flash flood hotline (775)782-9993 and email address [flood@co.douglas.nv.us](mailto:flood@co.douglas.nv.us) have been set up for residents to report damages for the state assessment. Please leave a detailed message with your name, contact information and address for damage assessment. **This Hotline and email will close on August 15, 2014.**

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